

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

CHARLES RAY HICKS,
Petitioner,

v.

JOHN E. WETZEL, Secretary,
Pennsylvania Department of Corrections;
ROBERT GILMORE, Superintendent of
the State Correctional Institution at Greene;
and MARK GARMAN, Superintendent of
the State Correctional Institution at
Rockview,
Respondents.

No. 1:17-CV-1969

(Chief Judge Conner)

THIS IS A CAPITAL CASE

ORDER

AND NOW, this date of February, 2019, upon consideration of Petitioner's
*Motion to Stay the Federal Proceedings or, in the Alternative Dismiss Without
Prejudice, to Allow Petitioner's Counsel to Exhaust Federal Claims for Relief in
State Court*, it is hereby ORDERED and DIRECTED that said motion is GRANTED
and that:

1. Petitioner's federal habeas corpus is dismissed without prejudice;
2. Petitioner is directed to exhaust state remedies expeditiously; and
3. Petitioner's counsel shall notify this Court within thirty (30) days of the termination of state court proceedings.

BY THE COURT

Christopher C. Conner, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Middle District of Pennsylvania